

# ANALYTIC SUBORDINATION FOR FREE COMPRESSION

## (PRELIMINARY VERSION)

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**ABSTRACT.** We extend the free difference quotient coalgebra approach to analytic subordination to the case of a free compression in free probability.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

If  $\mu, \nu$  are Borel probability measures on  $\mathbb{R}$ , let  $\mu \boxplus \nu$  denote their free additive convolution. The Cauchy transform  $G_{\mu \boxplus \nu}$  is analytically subordinate to  $G_\mu$  in the upper half plane, i.e. there is an analytic function  $f : \mathbb{H}_+(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow \mathbb{H}_+(\mathbb{C})$  such that  $G_{\mu \boxplus \nu}(z) = G_\mu(f(z))$ . This result is the main tool in proving regularity properties of free convolution, and was first proved by D. Voiculescu in [Voi93] under an easily removed genericity condition. Using combinatorial methods, P. Biane showed in [Bia98] that the subordination is an operator valued phenomenon. Namely if  $X, Y$  are self-adjoint and free random variables in a von Neumann algebra with faithful normal trace state, then the functions  $(X - zI)^{-1}$  and  $E_{W^*(X)}((X + Y) - zI)^{-1}$  satisfy an analytic subordination relation in the upper half plane. In [Voi00], it was shown that the subordination is due to a certain conditional expectation which is a coalgebra morphism between the free difference quotient coalgebras of  $\partial_{X+Y}$  and  $\partial_X$ . This approach extends to the  $B$ -valued case, i.e. when  $X$  and  $Y$  are self-adjoint elements in a von Neumann algebra with faithful normal trace state which are  $B$ -free, where  $1 \in B$  is a  $W^*$ -subalgebra.

In [AN96], A. Nica and R. Speicher showed that for any Borel probability measure  $\mu$  on  $\mathbb{R}$ , there is a partially defined continuous free additive convolution semi-group starting at  $\mu$ , i.e. a continuous family  $\{\mu_t : t \geq 1\}$  such that  $\mu = \mu_1$ ,  $\mu_{s+t} = \mu_s \boxplus \mu_t$ . In [BB04], S. T. Belinschi and H. Bercovici showed that the analytic subordination for  $\mu^{\boxplus n}$  extends to  $\mu_t$ . This can be used to prove certain regularity results for the free additive convolution semigroup. Here we present a proof of this result following the free difference quotient coalgebra approach, which allows a  $B$ -valued extension.

If  $X$  is a self-adjoint element in a  $W^*$ -probability space  $(M, \tau)$  with distribution  $\mu$ , and  $p$  is a projection in  $M$  free from  $X$  with  $\tau(p) = t^{-1}$ , then  $\mu_t$  is the distribution of  $tpXp$  in  $(pMp, \tau|_{pMp})$ . Here we show that a certain rescaled conditional expectation is a coalgebra morphism between the free difference quotient coalgebras of  $\partial_{tpXp}$  and  $\partial_X$ . We then follow the approach of ([Voi00]) to establish the subordination result.

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### 2. PRELIMINARIES

#### 2.1. Free difference quotient derivation

If  $B$  is a unital algebra over  $\mathbb{C}$  and  $X$  is algebraically free from  $B$ , the free difference quotient is the derivation

$$\partial_{X:B} : B\langle X \rangle \rightarrow B\langle X \rangle \otimes B\langle X \rangle$$

which takes  $B$  to 0 and  $X$  to  $1 \otimes 1$ .  $\partial_{X:B}$  is a coassociative comultiplication, i.e.

$$(\partial_{X:B} \otimes \text{id}) \circ \partial_{X:B} = (\text{id} \otimes \partial_{X:B}) \circ \partial_{X:B}$$

#### 2.2. Corepresentations of derivation-comultiplications.

Suppose  $A$  is a unital algebra over  $\mathbb{C}$  and that  $\partial : A \rightarrow A \otimes A$  is a coassociative comultiplication which is a derivation with respect to obvious  $A$ -bimodule structure on  $A \otimes A$ . A corepresentation of  $(A, \partial)$  is a  $n \times n$

matrix  $(a_{ij})_{1 \leq i, j \leq n}$  with entries in  $A$  such that

$$\partial a_{ij} = \sum_{1 \leq k \leq n} a_{ik} \otimes a_{kj}$$

We recall the following characterization of invertible corepresentations from ([Voi00, Proposition 1.4]).

**Proposition.** *Let  $(A, \partial)$  be as above, and suppose that  $X \in A$  is such that  $\partial(X) = 1 \otimes 1$ . If  $\alpha = (a_{ij})_{1 \leq i, j \leq n}$  is a corepresentation of  $(A, \partial)$ , such that  $\alpha$  is invertible in  $\mathfrak{M}_n(A)$ , then*

$$\alpha = ((n_{ij} - X\delta_{ij})_{1 \leq i, j \leq n})^{-1}$$

*for some  $n_{ij} \in N = \text{Ker } \partial$ . Conversely, if  $n_{ij} \in N = \text{Ker } \partial$  are such that the matrix  $\beta = (n_{ij} - X\delta_{ij})_{1 \leq i, j \leq n}$  is invertible in  $\mathfrak{M}_n(A)$ , then  $\alpha = \beta^{-1}$  is a corepresentation of  $(A, \partial)$ .*

□

### 2.3. Conjugate variables

If  $M$  is a von Neumann algebra with faithful normal trace state  $\tau$ ,  $1 \in B \subset M$  is a  $W^*$ -subalgebra, and  $X = X^* \in M$  is algebraically free from  $B$ , then the conjugate variable  $\mathcal{J}(X : B)$  is defined as the unique (if it exists) element in  $L^1(W^*(B\langle X \rangle))$  such that

$$\tau(\mathcal{J}(X : B)m) = (\tau \otimes \tau)(\partial_{X:B}m) \quad m \in B\langle X \rangle$$

If  $\|\mathcal{J}(X : B)\|_2 < \infty$ , then viewing  $\partial_{X:B}$  as a densely defined unbounded operator from  $L^2(W^*(B\langle X \rangle)) \rightarrow L^2(W^*(B\langle X \rangle)) \otimes L^2(W^*(B\langle X \rangle))$  we have  $1 \otimes 1 \in \mathfrak{D}(\partial_{X:B}^*)$ ,  $\mathcal{J}(X : B) = \partial_{X:B}^*(1 \otimes 1)$  and  $\partial_{X:B}$  is closable, in particular it is closable in  $\|\cdot\|$ . (See [Voi98]).

### 2.4. Noncommutative power series

If  $K$  is a  $C^*$ -algebra,  $A$  is a  $C^*$ -subalgebra and  $R > 0$  then  $A_R\{t\}$  (see [Voi98]) will denote the completion of the ring  $A\langle t \rangle$  of noncommutative polynomials with coefficients in  $A$  with respect to the norm  $\|\cdot\|_R$  defined by

$$\|P\|_R = \inf \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \|a_1^{(k)}\| \cdots \|a_{n(k)}^{(k)}\| R^{n(k)-1}$$

where the infimum is taken over all representations of a noncommutative polynomial  $P \in A\langle t \rangle$  as a sum with finite support of the form

$$P(t) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} a_1^{(k)} t a_2^{(k)} t \cdots a_{n(k)}^{(k)}$$

If  $X \in K$  and  $\|X\| < R$ , then  $f(X)$  is well defined for any  $f(t) \in A_R\{t\}$  and  $\|f(X)\| \leq \|f\|_R$ .

### 2.5. Half-planes of a $C^*$ -algebra

If  $K$  is a  $C^*$ -algebra, we define the upper and lower half-planes in  $K$  by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{H}_+(K) &= \{T \in K \mid \text{Im } T \geq \epsilon 1 \text{ for some } \epsilon > 0\} \\ \mathbb{H}_-(K) &= \{T \in K \mid \text{Im } T \leq -\epsilon 1 \text{ for some } \epsilon > 0\} \end{aligned}$$

If  $T \in \mathbb{H}_+(K)$ , then  $T$  is invertible, and

$$\|T^{-1}\| \leq \epsilon^{-1} \quad -(\epsilon + \epsilon^{-1} \|T\|^2)^{-1} \geq \text{Im } T^{-1}$$

In particular,  $T^{-1} \in \mathbb{H}_-(K)$ . (See [Voi00, 3.6]).

By  $\Delta_+ \mathfrak{M}_n(K)$  we will denote the set of matrices  $\kappa = (k_{ij})_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} \in \mathfrak{M}_n(K)$  such that  $k_{ii} \in \mathbb{H}_+(K)$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , and  $k_{ij} = 0$  for  $i < j$ . So  $\Delta_+ \mathfrak{M}_n(K)$  is the set of lower triangular matrices with diagonal entries in  $\mathbb{H}_+(K)$ . Let  $\Delta_- \mathfrak{M}_n(K)$  denote the lower triangular matrices with diagonal entries in  $\mathbb{H}_-(K)$ . Note that if  $\kappa \in \Delta_{\pm} \mathfrak{M}_n(K)$  then  $\kappa^{-1} \in \Delta_{\mp} \mathfrak{M}_n(K)$  and  $(\kappa^{-1})_{ii} = (\kappa_{ii})^{-1}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ .

## 3. THE COALGEBRA MORPHISM ASSOCIATED TO FREE COMPRESSION

3.1. In this section we study a certain rescaled conditional expectation, which for a free compression gives a coalgebra morphism between free difference quotient coalgebras. The framework is  $(M, \tau)$ , a von Neumann algebra with a faithful normal trace state. If  $A, B$  are subalgebras in  $M$ ,  $A \vee B$  will denote the subalgebra generated (algebraically) by  $A \cup B$ . If  $1 \in A \subset M$  is a  $*$ -subalgebra,  $E_A^{(M)}$  will denote the unique conditional expectation of  $M$  onto  $W^*(A)$  which preserves  $\tau$ . If  $p \in M$  is a projection in  $M$ ,  $\tau_p$  will denote the faithful normal trace state on  $pMp$  given by  $\tau_p = \tau(p)^{-1}\tau|_{pMp}$ .

**Lemma 3.2.** *Suppose that  $1 \in B \subset M$  is a  $*$ -subalgebra,  $X = X^* \in M$  and that  $p \in M$  is a projection such that  $p$  commutes with  $B$  and  $X$  is algebraically free from  $B[p]$ . Let  $\alpha$  denote  $\tau(p)$ , and put  $X_p = \alpha^{-1}pXp$ , which we consider as a  $Bp$ -valued random variable in  $pMp$ . Define  $\psi : pMp \rightarrow M$  by  $\psi(pmp) = \alpha^{-1}pmp$ . Then  $\psi(Bp\langle X_p \rangle) \subset B\langle p, X \rangle$  and*

$$(\psi \otimes \psi) \circ \partial_{X_p:Bp} = \partial_{X:B[p]} \circ \psi|_{Bp\langle X_p \rangle}$$

i.e.,  $\psi|_{Bp\langle X_p \rangle}$  is a coalgebra morphism for the comultiplications  $\partial_{X_p:Bp}$  and  $\partial_{X:B[p]}$ .

*Proof.* Clearly  $\psi(Bp\langle X_p \rangle) \subset B\langle p, X \rangle$ , we must show that  $\psi$  is comultiplicative. Both sides of the above equation are derivations from  $Bp\langle X_p \rangle$  into  $M \otimes M$  with respect to the natural  $Bp\langle X_p \rangle$  bimodule structure on  $M \otimes M$ . It is clear that  $Bp$  is in the kernel of both derivations, we need only compare them on  $X_p$ . We have

$$\partial_{X:B[p]} \circ \psi(X_p) = \alpha^{-2}\partial_{X:B[p]}(pXp) = \alpha^{-2}p \otimes p = (\psi \otimes \psi)(p \otimes p) = (\psi \otimes \psi) \circ \partial_{X_p:Bp}(X_p)$$

□

3.3. Certain conditional expectations behave well with respect to freeness and derivations, which allows us to extend the coalgebra morphism  $\psi$  to a rescaled conditional expectation. We will need the following result from ([Voi00, Lemma 2.2]).

**Lemma.** *Let  $1 \in B$  be a  $W^*$ -subalgebra, and let  $1 \in A, 1 \in C$  be  $*$ -subalgebras in  $(M, \tau)$ . Assume  $A$  and  $C$  are  $B$ -free in  $(M, E_B)$ . Let  $D : A \vee B \vee C \rightarrow (A \vee B \vee C) \otimes (A \vee B \vee C)$  be a derivation such that  $D(B \vee C) = 0$  and  $D(A \vee B) \subset (A \vee B) \otimes (A \vee B)$ . Then*

$$(E_{A \vee B} \otimes E_{A \vee B}) \circ D = D \circ E_{A \vee B}|_{A \vee B \vee C}$$

□

**Proposition 3.4.** *Suppose that  $1 \in B \subset M$  is a  $W^*$ -subalgebra,  $X = X^* \in M$  and that  $p \in M$  is a projection such that  $p$  is  $B$ -free with  $X$ ,  $p$  commutes with  $B$  and  $X$  is algebraically free from  $B[p]$ . Let  $\alpha$  denote  $\tau(p)$ , and put  $X_p = \alpha^{-1}pXp$ . Define  $\Psi : pMp \rightarrow M$  by  $\Psi = E_{B\langle X \rangle}^{(M)} \circ \psi$ . Then*

$$(\Psi \otimes \Psi) \circ \partial_{X_p:Bp} = \partial_{X:B} \circ \Psi|_{Bp\langle X_p \rangle}$$

*Proof.* Since  $X$  and  $p$  are  $B$ -free in  $M$ ,  $E_{B\langle X \rangle}^{(M)}B[X, p] \subset B\langle X \rangle$  so that

$$\Psi(Bp[X_p]) \subset B\langle X \rangle$$

By the previous lemma applied to  $A = \mathbb{C}[X], B = B, C = \mathbb{C}[p], D = \partial_{X:B[p]}$  we have

$$\left( E_{B\langle X \rangle}^{(M)} \otimes E_{B\langle X \rangle}^{(M)} \right) \circ \partial_{X:B[p]} = \partial_{X:B} \circ E_{B\langle X \rangle}^{(M)} \Big|_{B\langle X, p \rangle}$$

The result then follows from composing both sides with  $\psi|_{Bp\langle X_p \rangle}$  and applying Lemma 3.2. □

3.5. To attach probabilistic meaning to the map  $\Psi$ , it should be unital and preserve trace and expectation onto  $B$ . These properties require the additional assumption that  $p$  is independent from  $B$  with respect to  $\tau$ .

**Proposition.** *Let  $M, B, X, p, \Psi$  as above and suppose, in addition to the previous hypotheses, that  $p$  is independent from  $B$  with respect to  $\tau$ . Then  $\Psi(bp) = b$  for  $b \in B$ , in particular  $\Psi$  is unital. Furthermore,  $\Psi$  preserves trace and expectation onto  $B$ , i.e.*

$$\begin{aligned} \tau \circ \Psi &= \tau_p \\ \Psi \circ E_{Bp}^{(pMp)} &= E_B^{(M)} \circ \Psi \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* First remark that independence implies  $E_B^{(M)}(p) = \alpha$ . Since  $X$  and  $p$  are  $B$ -free,

$$E_{B\langle X \rangle}^{(M)}(p) = E_B^{(M)}(p) = \alpha$$

Therefore, for  $b \in B$  we have

$$\Psi(bp) = \alpha^{-1} E_{B\langle X \rangle}^{(M)}(bp) = \alpha^{-1} b E_{B\langle X \rangle}^{(M)}(p) = b$$

Next observe that

$$\begin{aligned} \tau(\Psi(pmp)) &= \alpha^{-1} \tau(E_{B\langle X \rangle}^{(M)}(pmp)) \\ &= \alpha^{-1} \tau(pmp) \\ &= \tau_p(pmp) \end{aligned}$$

so that  $\Psi$  preserves trace. Next we claim that

$$E_{Bp}^{(pMp)}(pmp) = \alpha^{-1} E_B^{(M)}(pmp)p$$

First observe that the right hand side is a conditional expectation from  $pMp$  onto  $W^*(Bp)$ . Since  $E_{Bp}^{(pMp)}$  is the unique such conditional expectation which preserves  $\tau_p$ , it remains only to show that this map is trace preserving. We have

$$\tau_p(\alpha^{-1} E_B^{(M)}(pmp)p) = \alpha^{-2} \tau(E_B^{(M)}(pmp)p) = \alpha^{-1} \tau(pmp) = \tau_p(pmp)$$

which proves the claim. We then have

$$\begin{aligned} (\Psi \circ E_{Bp}^{(pMp)})(pmp) &= \Psi(\alpha^{-1} E_B^{(M)}(pmp)p) \\ &= \alpha^{-2} E_{B\langle X \rangle}^{(M)}(E_B^{(M)}(pmp)p) \\ &= E_B^{(M)}(\alpha^{-1} E_{B\langle X \rangle}^{(M)}(pmp)) \\ &= (E_B^{(M)} \circ \Psi)(pmp) \end{aligned}$$

So that  $\Psi$  preserves expectation onto  $B$ . □

3.6. If  $X = X^*, Y = Y^* \in M$  are  $B$ -free, where  $1 \in B \subset M$  is a  $W^*$ -subalgebra, then if  $\mathcal{J}(X : B)$  exists so does  $\mathcal{J}(X + Y : B)$  and is obtained from a conditional expectation. This is also true for a free compression:

**Proposition.** *Suppose that  $1 \in B \subset M$  is a  $W^*$ -subalgebra,  $X = X^* \in M$  and that  $p \in M$  is a projection such that  $p$  commutes with  $B$  and  $X$  is algebraically free from  $B[p]$ . Let  $\alpha$  denote  $\tau(p)$ , and put  $X_p = \alpha^{-1} p X p$ . Assume that  $p$  and  $B$  are independent, and that  $X$  and  $p$  are  $B$ -freely independent. If  $\mathcal{J}(X : B)$  exists, then  $\mathcal{J}(X_p : Bp)$  exists and is given by*

$$E_{Bp\langle X_p \rangle}^{(pMp)}(p \mathcal{J}(X : B) p)$$

*Proof.* Let  $\Psi$  be as above, then for  $pmp \in Bp\langle X_p \rangle$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\tau_p \otimes \tau_p)(\partial_{X_p : Bp}(pmp)) &= (\tau \otimes \tau)(\partial_{X : B} \Psi(pmp)) \\ &= \alpha^{-1} \tau(\mathcal{J}(X : B) E_{B\langle X \rangle}^{(M)}(pmp)) \\ &= \alpha^{-1} \tau(\mathcal{J}(X : B) pmp) \\ &= \tau_p((p \mathcal{J}(X : B) p) pmp) \\ &= \tau_p(E_{Bp\langle X_p \rangle}^{(pMp)}(p \mathcal{J}(X : B) p) pmp) \end{aligned}$$

□

## 4. COMPLETELY POSITIVE MORPHISMS BETWEEN FREE DIFFERENCE QUOTIENT COALGEBRAS

In this section we will prove the analytic subordination result for a free compression. We will follow Voiculescu's approach in ([Voi00, Section 3]).

4.1. We begin with a standard result on unbounded derivations on  $C^*$ -algebras ([Voi00],[BR79])

**Lemma.** *Let  $K, L$  be unital  $C^*$ -algebras, let  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 : K \rightarrow L$  be unital  $*$ -homomorphisms, let  $1 \in A \subset K$  be a unital  $*$ -subalgebra, and let  $D : A \rightarrow L$  be a closable derivation with respect to the  $A$ -bimodule structure on  $L$  defined by  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2$ . The closure  $\overline{D}$  is then a derivation, and the domain of definition  $\mathfrak{D}(\overline{D})$  is a subalgebra. Moreover, if  $a \in A$  is invertible in  $K$ , then  $a^{-1} \in \mathfrak{D}(\overline{D})$  and*

$$\overline{D}(a^{-1}) = -\varphi_1(a^{-1})D(a)\varphi_2(a^{-1})$$

□

We will now restate two lemmas from [Voi00, Section 3] in the  $C^*$ -context, since the proofs carry over directly we will omit them.

**Lemma 4.2.** *Let  $K$  be a unital  $C^*$ -algebra and  $1 \in A \subset K$  a  $C^*$ -subalgebra. Suppose  $X = X^* \in K$  is algebraically free from  $A$ ,  $\|X\| \leq R$  and  $\partial_{X:A}$  is closable. If  $f \in A_R\{t\}$  then  $f(X) \in \mathfrak{D}(\overline{\partial}_{X:A})$ . Moreover, if  $\overline{\partial}_{X:A}f(X) = 0$ , then  $f(X) \in A$ .*

□

**Lemma 4.3.** *Let  $K, A$  and  $X$  as above,  $f \in A\langle t \rangle$ , and let  $P = f(X)$ . Then*

$$\|f\|_R \leq \sum_{p \geq 0} \left\| \partial_{X:A}^{(p)} P \right\|_{(p+1)} (\|X\| + R)^p$$

where  $\|\cdot\|_{(s)}$  is the norm on the  $s$ -fold projective tensor product  $K^{\widehat{\otimes} s}$ .

□

We are now prepared to prove a subordination result for completely positive coalgebra morphisms between free difference quotient coalgebras. The proof follows ([Voi00, Proposition 3.7]).

**Theorem 4.4.** *Let  $K$  and  $L$  be unital  $C^*$ -algebras, and  $1 \in A \subset K$ ,  $1 \in B \subset L$   $C^*$ -subalgebras. Let  $X = X^* \in K$  algebraically free from  $A$ ,  $Y = Y^* \in L$  algebraically free from  $B$ . Suppose  $\Psi : L \rightarrow K$  is a unital, completely positive linear map such that  $\Psi(B\langle Y \rangle) \subset A\langle X \rangle$  and*

$$(\Psi \otimes \Psi) \circ \partial_{Y:B} = \partial_{X:A} \circ \Psi|_{B\langle Y \rangle}$$

Suppose also that  $\partial_{X:A}$  and  $\partial_{Y:B}$  are closable. Then there is a holomorphic map  $F_n : \mathbb{H}_+(\mathfrak{M}_n(B)) \rightarrow \mathbb{H}_+(\mathfrak{M}_n(A))$  such that

$$\mathfrak{M}_n(\Psi)((Y \otimes I_n - \beta)^{-1}) = (X \otimes I_n - F_n(\beta))^{-1}$$

for  $\beta \in \mathbb{H}_+(\mathfrak{M}_n(B))$ .

*Proof.* By replacing  $(K, L, A, B, X, Y, \Psi)$  with  $(\mathfrak{M}_n(K), \mathfrak{M}_n(L), \mathfrak{M}_n(A), \mathfrak{M}_n(B), X \otimes I_n, Y \otimes I_n, \mathfrak{M}_n(\Psi))$ , we may assume without loss of generality that  $n = 1$ . Let  $\overline{\partial}_{X:A}$  and  $\overline{\partial}_{Y:B}$  denote the closures of  $\partial_{X:A}$  and  $\partial_{Y:B}$ . We have  $\Psi(\mathfrak{D}(\overline{\partial}_{Y:B})) \subset \mathfrak{D}(\overline{\partial}_{X:A})$  and

$$(\Psi \otimes \Psi) \circ \overline{\partial}_{Y:B} = \overline{\partial}_{X:A} \circ \Psi|_{B\langle Y \rangle}$$

For  $\beta \in \mathbb{H}_+(B)$ ,

$$(\beta - Y)^{-1} \in \mathfrak{D}(\overline{\partial}_{Y:B})$$

by Proposition 4.1, and so  $(\beta - Y)^{-1}$  is a corepresentation of the coalgebra  $(\mathfrak{D}(\overline{\partial}_{Y:B}), \overline{\partial}_{Y:B})$  by (2.2). Therefore  $\gamma = \Psi((\beta - Y)^{-1})$  is a corepresentation of  $(\mathfrak{D}(\overline{\partial}_{X:A}), \overline{\partial}_{X:A})$ . Since  $(\beta - Y)^{-1} \in \mathbb{H}_-(L)$  and  $\Psi$  is positive and unital, we have  $\gamma \in \mathbb{H}_-(K)$ . In particular  $\gamma$  is invertible. Note that since

$$\partial_{X:A}(a^*) = \sigma_{12}((\partial_{X:A}(a))^*)$$

where  $\sigma_{12}$  is the automorphism of  $M \otimes M$  defined by  $\sigma_{12}(m_1 \otimes m_2) = m_2 \otimes m_1$ ,  $\mathfrak{D}(\overline{\partial}_{X:A})$  is a  $*$ -algebra. Hence  $\gamma^{-1} \in \mathfrak{D}(\overline{\partial}_{X:A})$  by Proposition 4.1. By (2.2),

$$\gamma^{-1} = \eta - X$$

for some  $\eta \in \text{Ker } \bar{\partial}_{X:A}$ . Since  $\gamma^{-1} \in \mathbb{H}_+(K)$ , we have  $\eta \in \mathbb{H}_+(K)$ . Clearly the map taking  $\beta \in \mathbb{H}_+(B)$  to  $\eta \in \mathbb{H}_+(K)$  is a holomorphic map, it remains only to show that  $\eta \in A$ . By analytic continuation, it suffices to show this for  $\beta$  in an open subset of  $\mathbb{H}_+(B)$ .

Let  $\rho = 6(\|X\| + \|Y\| + 1)$ , and put

$$\omega = \{\beta \in B \mid \|i\rho - \beta\| < 1\} \subset \mathbb{H}_+(B)$$

If  $\beta \in \omega$ , then

$$(\beta - Y)^{-1} = (i\rho(1 - \Gamma))^{-1} = (i\rho)^{-1} \sum_{m \geq 0} \Gamma^m$$

where

$$\Gamma = (i\rho)^{-1}(i\rho - \beta + Y)$$

Note that  $\|\Gamma\| < 1/6$ .

Let  $\|\cdot\|_{(p)}$  denote the projective tensor product norm on  $K^{\widehat{\otimes} p}$ . Define  $\varphi_j : K \rightarrow K^{\widehat{\otimes}(p+1)}$  by  $\varphi_j(k) = 1^{\otimes(j-1)} \otimes k \otimes 1^{\otimes(p+1)-j}$ . Then since  $\partial_{Y:B}\Gamma = (i\rho)^{-1}1 \otimes 1$ , it follows easily that

$$\partial_{Y:B}^{(p)}\Gamma^m = \sum_{\substack{m_1 \geq 0, \dots, m_{p+1} \geq 0 \\ m_1 + \dots + m_{p+1} = m-p}} (i\rho)^{-p} \varphi_1(\Gamma^{m_1}) \cdots \varphi_{p+1}(\Gamma^{m_{p+1}})$$

From this it follows that

$$\left\| \partial_{Y:B}^{(p)}\Gamma^m \right\|_{(p+1)}^{\widehat{\phantom{m}}} < \rho^{-p} 6^{-(m-p)} \frac{m!}{p!(m-p)!}$$

if  $m \geq p$ , while if  $m < p$  then

$$\partial_{Y:B}^{(p)}\Gamma^m = 0$$

Let  $P_m = \Psi(\Gamma^m)$ . Then  $P_m \in A\langle X \rangle$  and

$$\partial_{X:A}^{(p)}P_m = \Psi^{\otimes(p+1)}(\partial_{Y:B}^{(p)}\Gamma^m)$$

Hence

$$\left\| \partial_{X:A}^{(p)}P_m \right\|_{(p+1)}^{\widehat{\phantom{m}}} \leq \rho^{-p} 6^{-(m-p)} \frac{m!}{p!(m-p)!}$$

if  $m \geq p$  and is zero if  $m < p$ . Let  $h_m \in A\langle t \rangle$  so that  $P_m = h_m(X)$ . By Lemma 4.3,

$$\begin{aligned} |h_m|_r &\leq \sum_{p \geq 0} \left\| \partial_{X:A}^{(p)}P_m \right\|_{(p+1)}^{\widehat{\phantom{m}}} (\|X\| + r)^p \\ &< \sum_{0 \leq p \leq m} \rho^{-p} 6^{-(m-p)} (\|X\| + r)^p \frac{m!}{p!(m-p)!} \\ &= (\rho^{-1}(\|X\| + r) + 6^{-1})^m \end{aligned}$$

Let  $r = \|X\| + 1$ , so that

$$|h_m|_r < (1/2)^m$$

if  $m \geq 1$ . Then  $h = \sum_{m \geq 1} h_m \in A_r\{t\}$  and  $|h|_r < 1$ . It follows that  $1 + h$  is invertible in  $A_r\{t\}$ . We then have

$$\begin{aligned} \eta - X &= (\Psi(\beta - Y)^{-1})^{-1} \\ &= (i\rho) \left( 1 + \sum_{k \geq 1} P_k \right)^{-1} \\ &= (i\rho)(1 + h)^{-1}(X) \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\bar{\partial}_{X:A}\eta = 0$  and  $\eta = g(X)$  where  $g = t + (i\rho)(1 + h)^{-1} \in A_r\{t\}$  and  $r = \|X\| + 1$ . By Lemma 4.2,  $\eta \in A$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 4.5.** *Let  $(M, \tau)$  be a von Neumann algebra with faithful normal trace state, and  $1 \in B \subset M$  a  $W^*$ -subalgebra. Suppose  $X = X^* \in M$  and that  $p \in M$  is a projection which is  $B$ -free with  $X$  and such that  $p$  is independent from  $B$  with respect to  $\tau$ . Let  $\alpha$  denote  $\tau(p)$ , and put  $X_p = \alpha^{-1}pXp$ . Assume that  $|\mathcal{J}(X : B)|_2 < \infty$ . Then there is an analytic function  $F_n : \mathbb{H}_+(\mathfrak{M}_n(B)) \rightarrow \mathbb{H}_+(\mathfrak{M}_n(B))$  such that*

$$\alpha^{-1}E_{\mathfrak{M}_n(B\langle X \rangle)}^{(\mathfrak{M}_n(M))}(X_p \otimes I_n - \beta(p \otimes I_n))^{-1} = (X \otimes I_n - F_n(\beta))^{-1}$$

for  $\beta \in \mathbb{H}_+(\mathfrak{M}_n(B))$ .

*Proof.* By Proposition 3.6, also  $|\mathcal{J}(X_p : Bp)|_2 < \infty$ , hence  $\partial_{X:B}$  and  $\partial_{X_p:Bp}$  are closable in norm. By Proposition 3.4, Theorem 4.4 applies to  $K = M$ ,  $L = pMp$ ,  $A = B$ ,  $B = Bp$ ,  $X = X$ ,  $Y = X_p$ ,  $\Psi = \Psi$  which gives the result.  $\square$

4.6. In  $B$ -valued free probability, it is useful also to consider matricial resolvents  $(X \otimes I_n - \beta)^{-1}$  where  $\beta \in \Delta_+\mathfrak{M}_n(B)$  (see [Voi86]). The subordination extends also to these resolvents.

**Corollary.** *Let  $K$  and  $L$  be unital  $C^*$ -algebras, and  $1 \in A \subset K$ ,  $1 \in B \subset L$   $C^*$ -subalgebras. Let  $X = X^* \in K$  algebraically free from  $A$ ,  $Y = Y^* \in L$  algebraically free from  $B$ . Suppose  $\Psi : L \rightarrow K$  is a unital, completely positive linear map such that  $\Psi(B\langle Y \rangle) \subset A\langle X \rangle$  and*

$$(\Psi \otimes \Psi) \circ \partial_{Y:B} = \partial_{X:A} \circ \Psi|_{B\langle Y \rangle}$$

*Suppose also that  $\partial_{X:A}$  and  $\partial_{Y:B}$  are closable. Then there is a holomorphic map  $\Phi_n : \Delta_+\mathfrak{M}_n(B) \rightarrow \Delta_+\mathfrak{M}_n(A)$  such that*

$$\mathfrak{M}_n(\Psi)((Y \otimes I_n - \beta)^{-1}) = (X \otimes I_n - \Phi_n(\beta))^{-1}$$

for  $\beta \in \Delta_+\mathfrak{M}_n(B)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\beta = (b_{ij})_{1 \leq i, j \leq n}$ , and  $\gamma = (\gamma_{ij})_{1 \leq i, j \leq n}$  where

$$\gamma = \mathfrak{M}_n(\Psi)((Y \otimes I_n - \beta)^{-1})$$

Then since  $\beta \in \Delta_+\mathfrak{M}_n(B)$  we have  $\gamma \in \Delta_+\mathfrak{M}_n(A\langle X \rangle)$  and

$$\gamma_{ii} = \Psi((Y - b_{ii})^{-1})$$

By Theorem 4.4,  $\gamma_{ii} = (X - \eta_{ii})^{-1}$  for some  $\eta_{ii} \in \mathbb{H}_+(A)$ . Since  $\gamma \in \Delta_+\mathfrak{M}_n(A\langle X \rangle)$ ,  $\gamma^{-1} \in \Delta_-\mathfrak{M}_n(A\langle X \rangle)$  and

$$(\gamma^{-1})_{ii} = (\gamma_{ii})^{-1} = X - \eta_{ii}$$

so that  $\gamma^{-1} - X \otimes I_n = \eta$  for some  $\eta \in \Delta_-\mathfrak{M}_n(A)$ . The analytic dependence on  $\beta$  is clear, so this completes the proof.  $\square$

**Corollary 4.7.** *Let  $(M, \tau)$  be a von Neumann algebra with faithful normal trace state, and  $1 \in B \subset M$  a  $W^*$ -subalgebra. Suppose  $X = X^* \in M$  and that  $p \in M$  is a projection which is  $B$ -free with  $X$  and such that  $p$  is independent from  $B$  with respect to  $\tau$ . Let  $\alpha$  denote  $\tau(p)$ , and put  $X_p = \alpha^{-1}pXp$ . Assume that  $|\mathcal{J}(X : B)|_2 < \infty$ . Then there is an analytic function  $\Phi_n : \Delta_+\mathfrak{M}_n(B) \rightarrow \Delta_+\mathfrak{M}_n(B)$  such that*

$$\alpha^{-1}E_{\mathfrak{M}_n(B\langle X \rangle)}^{(\mathfrak{M}_n(M))}(X_p \otimes I_n - \beta(p \otimes I_n))^{-1} = (X \otimes I_n - \Phi_n(\beta))^{-1}$$

for  $\beta \in \Delta_+\mathfrak{M}_n(B)$ .  $\square$

## 5. FREE MARKOVIANITY FOR FREE COMPRESSION

We can now remove the condition on  $|\mathcal{J}(X : B)|_2 < \infty$  from Corollary 4.5. The key tool is the following “Free Markovianity” property of free compression.

**Proposition 5.1.** *Suppose that  $1 \in B \subset M$  is a  $W^*$ -subalgebra,  $X = X^* \in M$  and that  $p \in M$  is a projection such that  $p$  commutes with  $B$ , and  $X$  and  $p$  are  $B$ -freely independent. Let  $Y = Y^* \in M$  be  $B$ -free from  $B\langle X, p \rangle$ . Then*

$$E_{B\langle X \rangle}^{(M)} E_{B\langle X+Y \rangle}^{(M)} E_{Bp\langle p(X+Y)p \rangle}^{(pMp)} = E_{B\langle X \rangle}^{(M)} E_{Bp\langle p(X+Y)p \rangle}^{(pMp)}$$

*Proof.* Apply [Voi99, Lemma 3.3] to

$$\begin{aligned} D &= B, & B &= W^*(B\langle X + Y \rangle) \\ A_1 &= W^*(B\langle X, Y \rangle) \\ A &= W^*(B\langle X \rangle), & \Omega &= \{p\} \\ C &= W^*(B\langle X + Y, p \rangle) \end{aligned}$$

to conclude that  $W^*(B\langle X \rangle)$ ,  $W^*(B\langle X + Y \rangle)$ ,  $W^*(B\langle X + Y, p \rangle)$  is freely Markovian. By [Voi99, Lemma 3.7]

$$E_{B\langle X \rangle}^{(M)} E_{B\langle X+Y \rangle}^{(M)} E_{B\langle X+Y, p \rangle}^{(M)} = E_{B\langle X \rangle}^{(M)} E_{B\langle X+Y, p \rangle}^{(M)}$$

Since  $Bp\langle p(X + Y)p \rangle \subset B\langle X + Y, p \rangle$ ,

$$E_{B\langle X+Y, p \rangle}^{(M)} E_{Bp\langle p(X+Y)p \rangle}^{(pMp)} = E_{Bp\langle p(X+Y)p \rangle}^{(pMp)}$$

from which the result follows.  $\square$

We are now prepared to remove the condition on  $\mathcal{J}(X : B)$ , this follows ([Voi00, Theorem 3.8]).

**Theorem 5.2.** *Let  $(M, \tau)$  be a von Neumann algebra with faithful normal trace state, and  $1 \in B \subset M$  a  $W^*$ -subalgebra. Suppose  $X = X^* \in M$  and that  $p \in M$  is a projection which is  $B$ -free with  $X$  and such that  $p$  is independent from  $B$  with respect to  $\tau$ . Let  $\alpha$  denote  $\tau(p)$ , and put  $X_p = \alpha^{-1}pXp$ . Then there is an analytic function  $F_n : \mathbb{H}_+(\mathfrak{M}_n(B)) \rightarrow \mathbb{H}_+(\mathfrak{M}_n(B))$  such that*

$$\alpha^{-1} E_{\mathfrak{M}_n(B\langle X \rangle)}^{(\mathfrak{M}_n(M))} (X_p \otimes I_n - \beta(p \otimes I_n))^{-1} = (X \otimes I_n - F_n(\beta))^{-1}$$

for  $\beta \in \mathbb{H}_+(\mathfrak{M}_n(B))$ .

*Proof.* The analytic dependence on  $\beta$  is clear, so we must prove that

$$\alpha^{-1} E_{\mathfrak{M}_n(B\langle X \rangle)}^{(\mathfrak{M}_n(M))} (X_p \otimes I_n - \beta(p \otimes I_n))^{-1} = (X \otimes I_n - \eta)^{-1}$$

for some  $\eta \in \mathbb{H}_+(\mathfrak{M}_n(B))$ . Let  $S$  be a  $(0, 1)$ -semicircular element in  $(M, \tau)$  which is freely independent from  $B\langle X, p \rangle$ . Then  $X, p$  and  $S$  are  $B$ -free ([Voi99, Lemma 3.3]). Also  $X + \epsilon S$  and  $p$  are  $B$ -free and  $|\mathcal{J}(X + \epsilon S : B)|_2 < \infty$  for  $\epsilon > 0$  by [Voi98, Corollary 3.9]. So we can apply Corollary 4.5 to  $B, X + \epsilon S, p$ , it follows that there are  $\eta(\epsilon) \in \mathbb{H}_+(\mathfrak{M}_n(B))$  for  $0 < \epsilon \leq 1$  such that

$$\alpha^{-1} E_{\mathfrak{M}_n(B\langle X+\epsilon S \rangle)}^{(\mathfrak{M}_n(M))} (\alpha^{-1} p(X + \epsilon S)p \otimes I_n - \beta(p \otimes I_n))^{-1} = ((X + \epsilon S) \otimes I_n - \eta(\epsilon))^{-1}$$

Then

$$\|((X + \epsilon S) \otimes I_n - \eta(\epsilon))^{-1}\| \leq \|(\alpha^{-1} p(X + \epsilon S)p \otimes I_n - \beta(p \otimes I_n))^{-1}\| \leq C_1$$

for some fixed constant  $C_1$ , and by (2.5) also

$$\text{Im}((X + \epsilon S) \otimes I_n - \eta(\epsilon))^{-1} \geq C_2(1 \otimes I_n)$$

for some constant  $C_2 > 0$ . By (2.5), it follows that

$$\|\eta(\epsilon)\| \leq C_3, \quad \text{Im } \eta(\epsilon) \geq C_4(1 \otimes I_n)$$

for some constants  $C_3, C_4 > 0$ . It follows that

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \|((X + \epsilon S) \otimes I_n - \eta(\epsilon))^{-1} - ((X \otimes I_n) - \eta(\epsilon))^{-1}\| = 0$$

and hence

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \|((X + \epsilon S) \otimes I_n - \eta(\epsilon))^{-1} - E_{\mathfrak{M}_n(B\langle X \rangle)}^{(\mathfrak{M}_n(M))} ((X + \epsilon S) \otimes I_n - \eta(\epsilon))^{-1}\| = 0$$

By the previous proposition,

$$E_{B\langle X \rangle}^{(M)} E_{B\langle X+\epsilon S \rangle}^{(M)} E_{Bp\langle \alpha^{-1}p(X+\epsilon S)p \rangle}^{(pMp)} = E_{B\langle X \rangle}^{(M)} E_{Bp\langle \alpha^{-1}p(X+\epsilon S)p \rangle}^{(pMp)}$$

so that

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \|((X + \epsilon S) \otimes I_n - \eta(\epsilon))^{-1} - \alpha^{-1} E_{\mathfrak{M}_n(B\langle X \rangle)}^{(\mathfrak{M}_n(M))} ((\alpha^{-1} p(X + \epsilon S)p \otimes I_n - \beta(p \otimes I_n))^{-1}\| = 0$$

But also

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \|((\alpha^{-1} p(X + \epsilon S)p \otimes I_n - \beta(p \otimes I_n))^{-1} - (X_p \otimes I_n - \beta(p \otimes I_n))^{-1}\| = 0$$



Putting these equations together, we have that

$$\alpha^{-1} E_{\mathfrak{M}_n(B\langle X \rangle)}^{(\mathfrak{M}_n(M))} (X_p \otimes I_n - \beta(p \otimes I_n))^{-1} = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} (X \otimes I_n - \eta(\epsilon))^{-1}$$

which implies that  $\eta(\epsilon)$  converges in norm to some  $\eta \in \mathbb{H}_+(\mathfrak{M}_n(B))$  with

$$\alpha^{-1} E_{\mathfrak{M}_n(B\langle X \rangle)}^{(\mathfrak{M}_n(M))} (X_p \otimes I_n - \beta(p \otimes I_n))^{-1} = (X \otimes I_n - \eta)^{-1}$$

□

5.3. The same proof as Corollary 4.6 can be used to extend Theorem 5.2 to resolvents in  $\Delta_+ \mathfrak{M}_n(B)$ .

**Corollary.** *Let  $(M, \tau)$  be a von Neumann algebra with faithful normal trace state, and  $1 \in B \subset M$  a  $W^*$ -subalgebra. Suppose  $X = X^* \in M$  and that  $p \in M$  is a projection which is  $B$ -free with  $X$  and such that  $p$  is independent from  $B$  with respect to  $\tau$ . Let  $\alpha$  denote  $\tau(p)$ , and put  $X_p = \alpha^{-1} p X p$ . Then there is an analytic function  $\Phi_n : \Delta_+ \mathfrak{M}_n(B) \rightarrow \Delta_+ \mathfrak{M}_n(B)$  such that*

$$\alpha^{-1} E_{\mathfrak{M}_n(B\langle X \rangle)}^{(\mathfrak{M}_n(M))} (X_p \otimes I_n - \beta(p \otimes I_n))^{-1} = (X \otimes I_n - \Phi_n(\beta))^{-1}$$

for  $\beta \in \Delta_+ \mathfrak{M}_n(B)$ .

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